

By the King.



Wee haue by our late Proclamation, published for the apprehension of one Anthony Copley, signified what grieffe it was vnto vs, that any Subject of this Realme, of how meane condition soeuer, should giue vs iust cause to put in vse the power of our Lawes for any offence against vs in matter of Loyaltie. And although wee haue no litle comfort in the experience which that first occasion gaue vs, of the loue and obedience of the vniuersall number of our Subjects, by whose diligence and care of our person the said Copley hath bene apprehended: Yet hath the same brought vs withall, cause of further grieffe, in that by the said Copleys confession, there is discovered a conspiracie of a great number of others to haue made an attempt not only dangerous to our Person, but to our whole State: Whereof some principall Gentlemen of qualitie are already apprehended, some others cannot yet be found by the ordinary Ministers of our Justice. Wherefore, we haue thought good to giue knowledge of them to all our Subjects by open Proclamation, not doubting but to finde as good fruits of their loue in their diligent enquire after these persons, as we did of Copley: Requiring and charging all Lieutenants, deputie Lieutenants, Justices of Peace, Mayors, Sheriffes, Bayliffes, Constables, and all other our Officers and Ministers whatsoeuer, to vse all care and diligence in the enquiring, searching for, and apprehending of Sir Griffin Markham Knight, and such other persons, as are here in the foote of this Proclamation described. And if they shall be so happie as to finde any of them, to send them presently vnto some of our Councell. And though we doubt not but that wee shall finde good prooffe of the care of all good Subjects in doing their duties herein: Yet seeing it is a cause that doeth so neerely concerne not onely our Person, but the subuersion of the State of this Realme, wee cannot but adde this further Charge, That if we shall perceiue that any shall vse remissenes, negligence, or other omission of their duty in pursuing this our pleasure, we shall haue cause to iudge otherwise of them, and to proceede otherwise with them, then willingly wee would haue cause to doe with any Subject of this Realme; in whom we must acknowledge that in generall we haue found as much loue and duty, as could possibly be expressed.

Giuen at our Honour of Hampton-court the sixteenth day of July 1603. in the first yeere of our Reigne of England, France, and Ireland, and of Scotland the sixe and thirtieth.

God saue the King.

The description of the persons.

Sir Griffin Markham hath a large broad face, of a bleake complexion, a bigge nose, one of his hands is maimed by an hurt in his arme receiued by the shot of a Bullet, hee hath thinne and little haire vpon his beard; All his brethren are tall of stature, yong, and without any haire of their faces, of exceeding swarthy and bad complexions, and haue all very great noses.

William Watson priest is a man of the lowest sort, about xxxvi. yeeres of age, his haire betwixt abram and flaxen, he looketh asquint, and is very purblind, so as if he reade any thing he putteth the paper neere to his eyes, hee did weare his beard at length of the same coloured haire as is his head. But information is giuen that now his beard is cut.

William Clarke priest is a man of middle stature, inclining to the lower sort, about the age of xxxvi. yeeres, his haire is betwixt red and yellow, he keepeth his beard close cut, he is not leane nor corpulent, but betwixt both, rather leane.

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